



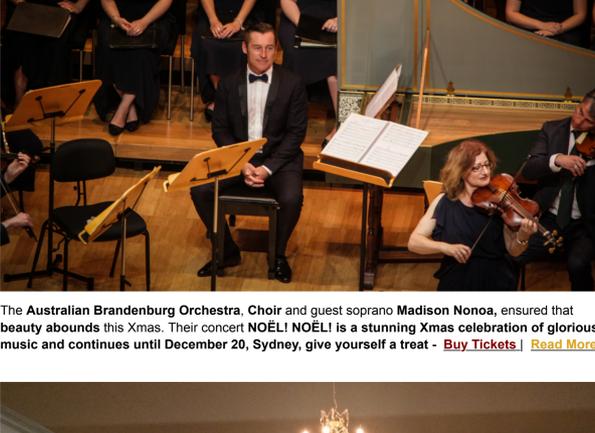
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Sending Best Wishes for a Golden Xmas and Happy New Year



Australians all, be bowled over by the quality and beauty of the array of Treasures from the chateau at Versailles now on show at the National Gallery of Australia. For the first time outside France, a visit to the exhibition in Canberra will be a once in a lifetime experience, perhaps a golden Xmas Gift? [Read More](#) | [Peruse Events](#) | [Buy Tickets or a Season Pass](#)



The Australian Brandenburg Orchestra, Choir and guest soprano Madison Nonoa, ensured that beauty abounds this Xmas. Their concert NOEL! NOEL! is a stunning Xmas celebration of glorious music and continues until December 20, Sydney, give yourself a treat - [Buy Tickets](#) | [Read More](#)



A Golden Xmas Gift for someone you love. At Melbourne, August 27 – November 7, 2017, a never-before-seen exhibition, **The House of Dior: Seventy Years of Haute Couture** at NGV International, which will also host its first ever **Black-Tie Gala** an unforgettable night with two options celebrating the world of art, fashion, live performance, fine food and wine in style. [Enquiries](#) | [Tickets](#) | [Read More](#)



Albums by the **Australian Brandenburg Orchestra** and the Texan a **capella** group **Pentatonix** are all about enriching our society and the way we live in it, helping us all benefit as indeed is entirely fitting. They will make splendid additions to your Xmas gift giving. [Read More](#)



Alltelulia, **Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** is still top of the pops; a new box set of all his works is the biggest CD release of 2016. **Mozart 225: The New Complete Edition** sold 1.25 million CDs globally in the first five weeks – more than albums by Drake, Rihanna and David Bowie. [Read More](#).



In England the **Sovereign** acts as a focus for **national identity**, unity and pride; giving a sense of stability and continuity and in **The Crown, Series 1, Episode 5**, we view **The Coronation**, where the Queen is **anointed**, not appointed head of the Church and people. [Read More](#)



Our **YouTube Channel** offers many adventures in style... **Chatsworth**, is a country palace wholly detached in plan and style from current practice and **Castle Howard** 'a classical arcadia crowned by a classical dome' and it was created from the 'bushes, bogs and briars of Yorkshire'. [Watch the Video](#)



Netflix The Crown, an outstanding television series now nominated for **Golden Globe Awards**, tells the story of the early life of **Princess Elizabeth** and her transformation to become **Elizabeth II** and all the challenges she faced as a young **Queen** including the matter of her sister **Margaret** and her love for **Group Captain Peter Townsend**. [Read More](#) [Episodes 6 & 7](#) | [Episodes 8 - 10](#)



Directed by **John Lee Hancock**, written by **Robert D. Siegel** and starring **Michael Keaton** together with a fine cast, **The Founder** perfectly plays to the present, by highlighting the **ethical and philosophical** complexities of **big business** surrounding the growth of **McDonald's** worldwide. [Read Review](#)



A Year in Reflection: 3 Spotlight Stories | **FASHIONING A REIGN: 90 YEARS OF STYLE – LYNSEY SCOTT REVIEW** | **THE MUSIC OF STRANGERS: YO-YO MA AND THE SILK ROAD PROJECT** | **EMINENT SCOTTISH ARTISTS 1750 – 1900 – LYNSEY SCOTT REVIEW**



A Year in Reflection: Fashion Elixir by **Jo Bayley** Top Three | **BEAUTY QUEST – HOW TO BE REAL AGAIN, SAYS JO** | **CLOTHING CHAMELEON: JO BAYLEY, FASHION EDITOR, WORK THE LOOK** | **TO TAME OR NOT TO TAME – EMBRACE YOUR INNER STYLE MAVERICK**



A Year in Reflection: Rose Niland Top Three | **MUDGE: RURAL BLISS AS ROSE CHILLS WITH ART, BEAUTY AND WINE** | **THE VERY HUNGRY CATERPILLAR SHOW – ERIC CARLE'S TRIUMPH** | **ROSALIND PARK, BENDIGO – ENCHANT THE SENSES, AS YOU LIKE IT**



For the six weeks in the lead-up to Christmas and New Year, participating **DineSmart** participating restaurants ask each table to add a small donation to their bill. 100% of all donations collected through restaurants are distributed locally to help people who are **homeless or at risk** by **StreetSmart Australia**. Give the Gift of Life and Love this Xmas. **DONATE A DISH NOW**



Christmas, that **great festival of love** is nearly upon us once more, when telling stories **about life** and **making beautiful music** is part of a feast of ideas celebrating community and culture, Thank you to all our subscribers, fans and followers of our **Website**, On **facebook** and On **Twitter** for your continued support. We send best wishes to all. Have a happy time with those you love. **Carolyn McDowall, Editor**